

REPORT ON H.R. 1854, LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1996

Mr. PACKARD, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 104-141) on the bill (H.R. 1854) making appropriations for the legislative branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes, which was referred to the Union Calendar and ordered to be printed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. All points of order are reserved on the bill.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to inquire of the gentleman from California, the chairman of the Subcommittee on Appropriations who just filed a report—

Mr. PACKARD. Mr. Speaker, would the gentleman repeat that please?

Mr. VOLKMER. I just would like to make an inquiry of the gentleman:

It is my understanding that the Committee on Rules on the gentleman's bill is going to require us to file amendments on the bill by noon on Monday.

Mr. PACKARD. That is correct.

Mr. VOLKMER. It is not printed; is it? It is not available to me; is it?

Mr. PACKARD. I would have to refer that to the chairman of the Committee on Rules.

Mr. VOLKMER. I mean the gentleman knows whether the bill is available to me or not.

Mr. PACKARD. The bill is printed. I do not know whether it is official or not, but it is available.

Mr. VOLKMER. With the amendments in it?

Mr. PACKARD. Not with the amendments until noon Monday.

It is available as it was reported out of the full committee. It will be in H-218 in the Capitol.

Mr. VOLKMER. In other words, I have to go there and look at it? I cannot take it back to my office, or my staff cannot, to review it as we always do on legislation?

Mr. PACKARD. We will give the gentleman a copy.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from California.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 1289, THE NEWBORN INFANT HIV NOTIFICATION ACT

Mr. FATTAH. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to have my name removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 1289.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 774

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that my name be removed as a cosponsor from the bill, H.R. 774.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

DESIGNATING TRINITY DAM IN THE CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT, CA, AS TRINITY LAKE

Mr. DOOLITTLE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the immediate consideration in the House of the bill (H.R. 1070) to designate the reservoir created by Trinity Dam in the Central Valley project, California, as "Trinity Lake."

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

Mr. DEFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, I yield to the gentleman from California [Mr. DOOLITTLE] to enable him to explain the legislation. We are particularly curious about whether or not Clair Engle was a Democrat and what the underlying reasons are for this change.

Mr. DOOLITTLE. Mr. Speaker, he was a Democrat, and he was considered a water expert in his time, and for that reason this reservoir which the bill seeks to change the name of was named for him. This bill would designate the reservoir created by Trinity Dam in the Central Valley Project in California as Trinity Lake.

Under the provisions of current law the reservoir is currently designated as Clair Engle Lake and, therefore, requires legislation in order for the name to be changed. The problem here is that in the local area everybody refers to this as Trinity Lake except the technical name that appears in the maps is Lake Clair Engle. It casts a lot of confusion, and for that reason the Trinity board of supervisors unanimously passed a resolution in support of changing the name.

In our report accompanying this bill we have asked the bureau to consider an appropriate visitor center that they could name in honor of Clair Engle, who was once chairman of the House Interior Committee and then subsequently became our U.S. Senator from California; we think that would be appropriate, and I would ask that the bill be supported.

Mr. DEFAZIO. Further under my reserved right to object, Mr. Speaker, I find the gentleman's arguments convincing. I do not detect a partisan bias here. I think the naming of a visitor center or other appropriate memorial would be well taken, and I have swum in the lake myself and had no idea of the name of it. I was told I was swimming in Trinity Lake.

Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the bill, as follows:

H.R. 1070

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. DESIGNATION OF TRINITY LAKE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The reservoir created by Trinity Dam in the Central Valley project, California, and designated as "Clair Engle Lake" by Public Law 88-662 (78 Stat. 1093) is hereby redesignated as "Trinity Lake".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in any law, regulation, document, record, map, or other paper of the United States to the reservoir referred to in subsection (a) shall be considered to be a reference to "Trinity Lake".

(c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Public Law 88-662 (78 Stat. 1093) is repealed.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF AMENDMENT PROCESS FOR THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATION

(Mr. SOLOMON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, the Rules Committee is planning to meet on Monday, June 19, to grant a rule which may limit the amendments offered to the legislative branch appropriations bill.

Members who wish to offer amendments to the bill should submit 55 copies of their amendments, together with a brief explanation, to the Rules Committee office in H-312 of the Capitol, no later than noon on Monday, June 19.

Amendments should be drafted to the bill as ordered reported by the Appropriations Committee. Copies of the text will be available for examination by Members and staff in the offices of the Appropriations Committee in H-218 of the Capitol.

Members should use the Office of Legislative Counsel to ensure that their amendments are properly drafted and should check with the Office of the Parliamentarian to be certain their amendments comply with the rules of the House.

Any offset amendments should be scored by CBO to ensure compliance with clause 2(f) of rule 21, which requires that they not increase the overall levels of budget authority and outlays in the bill.

If Members or their staff have any questions regarding this procedure, they should contact Bill Crosby of our staff at extension 5-9191.

We appreciate the cooperation of all Members in submitting their amendments by the noon, June 19 deadline in properly drafted form.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. SOLOMON. I yield to the gentleman from Missouri.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, the only reason I asked for this is it is apparent for me that I always prefer a copy of the report and a copy of the bill, and I am suggesting to Members that if they would contact the Appropriations Subcommittee at H-218, I am sure that they can obtain a copy of the subcommittee report—I mean a full